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NINETEEN MOUNDSMEN TO BATTLE FOR PLACES ON WHITE SOX STAFF

By HARRY NEILY.

CHICAGO, Jan. 18.—If there is any strength in numbers the White Sox should develop a whole of a pitching staff during the spring training period at Seguin, Tex., this year. Even after a pair of rookies has been eliminated the Sox roster comprises nineteen fingers, four catchers, eight infielders, and six outfielders. From this young army Manager "Pop" Gleason expects to find two or three hopefuls who can make the grade. If successful, the Sox will become a first division prospect.

The Sox have gathered an army of recruits from far and near—mostly from Sioux City. That appears to have been the chief abiding place of young talent in need of development. J. L. Davenport, late of Arizona, was one of the young men to complete his education in Sioux City. He is a hurler with plenty of "swift" and if he has mastered control he is about ready. Davenport was with the Sox a portion of last season, but was sent away to brush up on command.

Much is expected of the revised hurler. Davenport had an operation on his right knee and it was successful. Hodge had his appendix removed and Wilkinson parted company with his tonsils.

Charlie Robertson also is looked upon as a lad of parts. He was with the Sox two years ago and then was relegated to Minneapolis, where he became one of the leading pitchers of the American Association. He is a fine worker, one of those free and easy pitchers, so if he does not make good this time it will be apparent that he has not enough stuff to be a major leaguer.

G. V. Leverette, of Fort Smith, Ark., is another candidate for hurling honors. Recently "Ducky" Holmes said this man has one of the best fast balls he ever saw, but needs instruction in the art of curving. This is not a bad thing, as any means, most young men arriving from the minors are deficient in curves.

The White Sox reserve list shows the following pitchers: Ted Blankenship (Bonham, Tex.), George W. Connelly (Yakima, Wash.), J. L. Davenport, Urban Faber, "Shovel" Hodge, Joe Kiefer (Sioux City), Dick Kerr, R. Lambke, G. V. Leverette, Douglas McWeeney, Augustus Michaelson, Charlie Robertson, Dominic Mulrennan, Jim Russell, John Tesar, J. D. Thompson, E. P. Twombly, Jack Weinke, Roy Wilkinson.

Before passing from the pitchers it is well to ponder upon Mr. Lambke, lately of Kalamazoo. He is 6 feet 4 inches in length and flings with the right paw. He is said to be powerful. John Tesar also is entitled to a line, having won twenty-five games for Sioux City last season.

The infield does not seem to have been improved a great deal. "Red" Ostergard, the Texas collegian, went out to Sioux City and pitched the apple at the rate of 35. He has a trick shoulder which flops out of place, but it did not bother him toward the latter part of the season. He is a third baseman by trade. So is Bubero of Cedar Rapids. He was South with the Sox last spring. J. Julian is a Kalamazoo shortstop of whom not much has been learned.

The infield list includes: Bubero, Julian, Ostergard, Ed Schalk, Earl Sheely, Mulligan, Ernie Johnson, Earl Sheely and Harvey McClellan. There was little fault to find with the Sox infield as constituted last season.

No new outfielders have been secured. The gardeners are Fred Grady, Ed Falk, Elmer Evers, Harry Hooper, Amos Strunk and Johnny Mostil.

A new catcher in the person of M. V. Gahan has been captured from Sioux City. Gahan, George Lees and "Yarn" Tarran remain.

The Sox are going to train in considerable style. The club has leased the Park Hotel for the duration of the stay in Seguin. This tavern has forty-two rooms, a swimming pool, a billiard room, a dance hall, a bar, and a kitchen with suitable nourishment.

For the first time in several years the Sox will have a good field of sod on which to practice. The Seguin chamber of commerce constructed a grass diamond and outfield at the county fair grounds, nine blocks distant from the hotel. Max Starcke, president of the chamber, writes Secretary Harry Grabiner that the field has come up well and that everything is in shape. The San Antonio ground tender has been looking after the job, while Hank Fabian, who smooths out the surface of the Polo Grounds in New York, has been in Seguin lending his valuable assistance.

"Pop" Gleason is to be here the first of the month. He wants to send the history men south a week in advance of the main body of players. The open Grabiner is sniffing about for a suitable spot. Hot Springs, Ark., will be crowded with the Red Sox and Pirates. There are some hot wells near San Antonio and the battery boys may camp there. This will be decided with the arrival of "Pop" Gleason.

All the training dates except one have been settled. After March 24 there will be no idle time. The open week when the Sox and Giants go their separate ways will be filled in. The Sox will have no second team with spring.

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Bobby Roth Looking For Big Year In 1922

Bobby Roth, that shrinking violet of the diamond, represents the statement that the Yankees will be without an outfield this year. Both declare that if the Yankees give him a chance to prove his worth he will stay in right field for an indefinite period.

Roth had hard luck last year, stepping in a hole in the outfield in one of the exhibition games and thereby ruining all chances of winning a regular post. He has recuperated from an operation on his sore leg and declares in any means, most young men arriving from the minors are deficient in curves.

PHILLIES TO LET ED KONETCHY GO IN NEAR FUTURE

Oldest Player in National League Slated for Minors Despite Good Record Last Year.

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 18.—After cavorting on major league diamonds for fifteen years, Big Ed Konetchy, first baseman of the Phillies last season, and the oldest player in the National League, will be passed along to the small time in the near future, according to announcement made by William F. Baker, president of the Phillies.

Though thirty-seven years old and a veteran of fifteen major league campaigns, Konetchy failed to show any signs of slipping last season. He turned in a batting average of .293 in 117 contests last year.

Since coming into the National League in 1907, Konetchy has played in 2,085 games in the big leagues and has a lifetime batting average of .280.

According to President Baker, Konetchy is in line for a managerial berth in the minors next year.

Konetchy will be waived out of the National circuit, and will be sent to service with five different clubs, to make way for a youth by the name of Leslie, at first base, Leslie, who comes here with a great record as a minor leaguer with the New Orleans club, is expected to win the regular first base assignment this season.

Konetchy's first assignment in the National League was with the St. Louis Cardinals in 1907. In 1914 he was traded to the Pirates, but jumped the next year to the Pittsburgh Federals. He was then sold to the Boston Braves after the majors and Feds buried the hatchet. In 1919 he went to Brooklyn, and last year came to the Phils from the Dodgers.

MANHATTANS WILL HAVE BUSY WEEK OF CONTESTS

The Manhattan Reserves, who have won their last two games, will play the Epworth five tonight in the Central High gym.

Saturday night the Manhattans will play a double header in the New York State gym. In the first game, which will start at 7:30 o'clock, the Reserves will hook up with the Kanawha Prep's Reserves. The big game will be between the Reserves, who are making a strong bid for the championship honors, and the Manhattan A. C. Regulars.

Cherrydale A. A. in Field.

The Cherrydale Athletic Association is preparing for a big year in baseball and is already making up its schedule for its two teams, one of juniors as well as seniors. Local clubs desiring games should communicate with "Mickey" Johnson, Cherrydale, Va.

Columbias Play Two.

The Columbia Club will play the Epiphany Church team, and the Columbia Reserves will meet the Diamond Juniors Friday night. The first game starts at 7:30.

Epworths Play.

The Epworth Methodist Church quint meets the Emblem A. C. and the Manhattan Reserves in a dual encounter this evening at the Eastern High gym. The opening game is scheduled to start at 7 p. m.

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MIKE KELLY IS GREATEST BASEBALL IDOL OF GAME

By SAM CRANE.

What professional baseball player of the past or present was better known or a bigger favorite than Michael J. Kelly? "King Kelly" was the most popular player who ever walked onto a diamond. He was beloved by the baseball fans in his day and time as no other player, and fans of today think of him by reputation as one of the most outstanding characters the game ever produced.

This is why I have taken him as the subject of this article, which is a continuation of my series on famous baseball players that I began a decade ago.

Kelly was born in Paterson, N. J., a city that was the native place of other players who gained nearly as much prominence as "King." Kelly included the "Only One" and Jim McCormick, two of the best pitchers that ever went into the pitcher's box. They were contemporary with Kelly, as were other noted boxmen, such as John Clarkson, Charlie Radburn, Tim Lincecum, Mickey Welch, Johnny Ward, Jim Whitney, Al Spalding, Amos Rusie, Kid Nichols and others. It was an age of great pitchers, the greatest for numbers as well as for ability. Kelly was considered the greatest baseball genius in the history of the sport. A happy-go-lucky fellow, careless, perhaps, but with a heart as big as the world—that was Kelly.

Tommy McCarthy, the famous outfielder of the Boston Red Stockings, and last season a coach on the Brooklyn Dodgers, in talking about Kelly recently, said:

"King Kelly was the greatest player I ever saw. There were lots of brainy players, like Buck Ewing, Charley Bennett, Johnny Ward, and others, but, believe me, they all had to take off their hats to Kelly when it came to baseball brains. Kelly was far and away the brainiest player I ever knew. He was always looking to pull off something new, and it would require a book to tell all of Kelly's antics on the field in the heat of a hard-fought game."

"They don't play the same kind of baseball now that Kelly played. Not that his playing was dirty. It was not that. He simply initiated a play that was a bit hazy, according to the rules, and they had to be changed hastily to provide against the 'fine' Kelly sprung for the first time. I remember when Boston got him for \$10,000 from Chicago. He was a wonder then, and in the first ten days he wore Red Stockings he made more hits, stole more bases, and scored more runs than all the rest of the team. His work was phenomenal."

"Kelly was a great base stealer for several seasons. In the first place, he always took much ground. He was particularly fast. Ty Cobb and 'Honus' Wagner were far faster, but Kelly got there somehow. Kelly was in the habit of cutting third base, on base hits to right field, whenever he came from first or second, and as but one umpire officiated in those days he frequently was a base stealer. Kelly was one of the first base runners to slide into a base and his fancy sliding stunts."

"No basemen ever had an opportunity to touch more of Kelly than his spikes. He never seemed to go into a bag twice in the same way. He would squirm and wriggle around the base and seldom was he put out stealing. The 'Kelly slide' was famous."

"As an instance of how fast Kelly's brain worked, Jess Burkett was on third base one day with two out. The batter shot a hot grounder to Herman Long. The latter got the ball over to Tom Tucker a shade too late. The instant Kelly heard the umpire say 'safe,' he dropped his mitt, as if the batter was out and the inning over. Burkett slowed up, just as Kelly thought he signaled Tucker for the throw blocked. Long off the plate and touched him dual."

"How was that for quick thinking?" concluded McCarthy. Kelly, as an all-around player was preeminent in his day. As a batter, fielder and a backstop, he excelled. In "inside work" he was the originator of many plays that are now put down among the sharpest if not the trickiest. As an emergency player—the man for the pinch—Kelly was always there. If there was no stereotyped play to fit the opportunity, something entirely new would be orig-

Just Take A Few More And Declare All Bets Off

Players assembled by McGraw for his Giants; Meusel and Bancroft from the Phillies; Toney and Groh from the Reds; Douglas from the Cubs; Snyder from the Cardinals; Barnes and Neft from the Braves. If the Reds add with Eddie Rouse, why not throw in Eog Hornaby, Grover Alexander and Wilbur Cooper and cancel the National League season and wait for the winner in the American League for the world series?

Inated in Kelly's fertile brain and he would execute it with brilliant success that always made a big hit with the spectators, whether they were rooting for him or not.

He was always doing the unexpected, and the best of it was, he usually got away with it.

One game in particular Kelly won by quickness of thought and execution. He was with the Chicago White Stockings at the time Union Cap Anson, playing in Boston. The game was tied up in the ninth, and had been carried along until darkness had almost enveloped the field. There was a heavy fog over the field that with the smoke from the engines on the old Providence Railroad, which ran alongside the old Union Grounds, made it almost impossible for the players and spectators to follow the ball as it left the bats of the Boston team which was at bat.

Francis appeals to have the game called had been made by all the players of both teams, except Kelly. He would not ask for such a thing in a tight game. The contest had proceeded to the twelfth inning, and the White Stockings had made one run, giving them the lead.

The latter (Kelly's) team took the field, Boston going to bat for their twelfth inning. Three of the Red Stockings got on bases and two were out. The next batter hit the ball a terrific swipe to deep right field. The ball looked as if it were going a mile, and the three runners dashed for the plate, while the spectators, up on their tip-toes, shouted gleefully.

Kelly was in right field, the position he played when not catching. Quickly appreciating that the umpire and the crowd could see the ball, Kelly posed as if for a catch and when he thought it was about the right time for the ball to land, he apparently made the catch, leaped into the air with a wild whoop and dashed across the field to the dressing room.

The umpire shouted "Out!" and the White Stockings won by that single run.

It seems that a boy who was peeking through a knothole in the fence back of right field, and who, by the way, was of course a Boston rooter, was close enough to Kelly to see what he did, and also chased and secured the ball that had gone far over the fence he was peeking through. He took the ball down to a newspaper office and told his story of Kelly's sharp practice. The Boston papers came out the next morning with a horrible roast of the "King," but nothing came of it. If there was no stereo-typed play to fit the opportunity, something entirely new would be orig-

VILLANOVA NOT COMING AT ALL FOR CONTESTS

Pennsylvanians Leave Catholic University and Georgetown Without Engagements.

Catholic University and Georgetown University are without basketball games tonight and tomorrow night owing to the cancellation of the Villanova College team.

The Brooklanders were to have taken on the Pennsylvania quintet in the Brookland gymnasium tonight while Georgetown was to have taken a crack at the main liners tomorrow night.

Word is received here today that the visitors will not visit. The Hill-toppers are without a contest this week and Catholic University will have to rest without a contest until it meets George Washington Friday night in the Coliseum.

The only and big game of the week is the Catholic University-George Washington University contest listed for the Coliseum Friday which will find the Yankees opposing the Lithuanian Club, of Baltimore, in the first game of the double bill.

EMANON BASKETBALL MEN LIST ATTRACTIVE SCHEDULE

The Emanon Athletic Club basketball team has just announced a rather pretentious schedule for the balance of the season, which includes games with most of the good teams in the independent class. The list follows: January 15—Eutaw Temple, at Baltimore, Md.; 19, Capitol Silents, at Annapolis; 21, Alexandria High School, at Alexandria, Va.; 23, St. Paul A. C., at St. Paul; 24, Quincy A. C., at home; 27, Seamen Gunners, at Naval Armory; 28, Westmoreland Club, at Baltimore, Md.; 31, Calvary Baptist, at home.

February 4—Quincy A. C., at Liberty Hall; 7, U. S. S. Mayflower, at home; 8, Berchman Comets, at Gonzaga; 11, Middle A. C., at home; 20, Calvary Baptist, at Eastern High; 21, Washington Arrows, at home; 24, Circle A. C., at Liberty Hall; 25, Washington Barracks, at home. March 7—Mt. Vernon A. C., at home; 14, 21 and 28, open, at home.

CYCLONE PETERSEN GETS MATCH WITH JOE TURNER

Cyclone Petersen, regarded as one of the fastest middleweight wrestlers in the East, has been matched to meet Champion Joe Turner in Thursday night's wrestling bill at the Capitol Theater.

Petersen says he is in excellent condition and is confident of giving Turner one of the hardest battles of his career.

Seek Games Here.

Word has been received that the Baltimore collegians have been organized in the Monumental City and would like to arrange games with Washington's best teams. The Collegians made quite a reputation in Baltimore last year. They are made up of former high school and college stars. For games, address Manager M. Wallenstein, 908 West North avenue, Baltimore.

Golfers to Meet.

The first annual meeting of the Silver Spring Golf Club is to be held tonight in the Rialto Theater building at 8:15 p. m. for the purpose of electing permanent officers and the transaction of business before the club regarding its course at Silver Spring now under construction by Donald Ross. Other matters of importance will be taken up.

Emblems Want Games.

The Emblem A. C. would like to arrange basketball games with teams averaging 110-115 pounds which have access to a gymnasium. Call John W. Hurley at North 5148-J between 5 and 6 p. m.

By TAD FEATHERS FLY TODAY AS GIRL ROLLERS OF TWO CITIES MEET

By R. D. THOMAS.

As press time approaches, Miss Gladys Lowd, blonde captain of the Bureau girls, is still worrying along undecided which one of her six stars to leave out of this afternoon's grand match with the Baltimore Regents at the Recreation, which will start at 3 o'clock sharp.

One of the six is to suffer keen disappointment, for every one is dead set of grabbing a portion of the glory of trimming Baltimore's champion girls' team. None is giving a thought, it seems, to the possibility of a defeat, which is as it should be, considering the Baltimore end of the match, in which the Bureau girls won by forty-four pins in three games.

The members of the Bureau team are Miss Rena Levy, Mrs. Marie Frere, Miss Lorraine Gull, Mrs. Mary Ganzhorn, Miss Margaret Angel Wilding and Capt. Gladys Lowd, six in all, and only five will roll. The team is opposed to yanking a bowler once she has started a set.

Miss Rena Levy is a star. She won the girls' all-events championship and diamond-studded medal in the last city tournament. She is now shooting in great form, after a slump. To leave her out would be inconsiderate.

Mrs. Marie Frere is the team's trusty anchor. Generally the best bowler is chosen for the anchor position. It's a good guess Mrs. Frere will roll.

Miss Lorraine Gull, a fine performer, captivated the Baltimore crowd and there will be a fair portion of the Baltimore delegation expecting to root for her today. Leave her out and there might be a howl.

Mrs. Mary Ganzhorn, fans will vouch for it, packs about 75 per cent of the team's pep, and is a good bowler to boot. The team needs Mrs. Ganzhorn's pep. It's a vital factor.

Miss Margaret Wilding is pretty. Yes, verily, and the pulchritude of the bureau team is a big part of its drawing power. There will be many fans there expecting to see something in the nature of a beauty show. Hence, disappointment if Miss Wilding is left out. She is an excellent performer, too, otherwise

she wouldn't be a member of the bureau team.

Then there is the redoubtable leader. Captain Lowd has been thinking she'd brain the hydra by staying out herself, but there are overwhelming reasons why she should not. To begin with, she is the team's captain and like the rest of its members, an expert bowler.

But more than that, Miss Lowd and Miss Madeline Zorbach, the Baltimore captain, have an argument all their own to settle on the runways. Captain vs. captain, star bowler vs. star bowler, chicken eat chicken, it is, and everybody is bent on seeing the feathers fly.

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